

# STATE MEDICAL ASSOCIATIONS

## CALIFORNIA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

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### OFFICIAL NOTICES

**State Dues**—State and county dues are payable January 1, 1928. Prompt payment avoids thoughtless delinquency. Few members evade payment. The surprised and apologetic responses to notification of delinquency letters furnish ample proof that negligence and not intention is responsible. To the dilatory, CALIFORNIA AND WESTERN MEDICINE is not mailed after April 1, and the missing copies can seldom be furnished to reinstated delinquents. Help your county and state office by the habit of prompt payment of annual dues on the first day of each year.

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State Association dues range from \$20 in Washington, D. C., to \$2 or \$3 in Alabama, Arkansas, Mississippi, and North Carolina. Arizona and Minnesota charge \$15. The usual is \$8 and \$10. Massachusetts, who was able to keep to \$5 dues for many years, is now advocating the necessity for expansion of service by a raise from \$8 to \$10. California state dues for 1928 were fixed as of \$10.

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When members inquire what they get for their dues they want a statement of tangible returns: the Journal, the State Meeting, the Placement Bureau, the Extension Service, the Medical Defense and possibly a Library Service.

The greater and more intangible values of membership are but dimly visioned by these practical minds.

Were there no ethics of the Medical Association every practitioner of medicine could formulate his own code and, in proportion to his financial stress, allow his standard to be deflected.

Were there no Council of Pharmacy to pass upon the merits and demerits of drugs the shelves of pharmacists would groan again under the load of quack nostrums.

Were there no standard of medical education the incompetent would be indistinguishable from the competent.

The stimulus to continued progress is largely furnished by the interchange of thought at medical gatherings, by the writing of papers, and by the discussion of papers of others. The man who takes part is the mentally progressive—he who recognizes his mental inferiority shuns discussion. The intangible stimulus to renewed mental interest is more than compensatory—the friendships there formed, and cemented, cannot be counted in money value.

Medical organization with all its tangible and intangible value is made possible only through membership in county, state, and national associations. In California of 7699 licensed physicians 4328 are members of our Association. Of those not now members at least one-third would gladly join were they cordially invited. We again urge each county secretary to review carefully the reason why each non-member in his county is not a member of the California Medical Association and to express to every eligible man

in his community the earnest wish that he apply for membership in the California Association.

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**Council Meeting**—The next regular meeting of the Council will be held on Friday, January 20, 1928, at the Palace Hotel, San Francisco.

## COMPONENT COUNTY SOCIETIES

### ALAMEDA COUNTY

The regular meeting of the Alameda County Medical Association was held at the Ethel Moore Memorial Building, October 17, 1927, at 8:20 p. m. In the absence of President George Rothganger the meeting was called to order by Vice-President J. L. Lohse. The program of the evening was presented by the San Francisco County Medical Association.

Dr. Harry Spiro discussed "X-Ray of the Heart and Aorta," saying that in his opinion it was the most useful diagnostic and prognostic agent at the command of the cardiologist. The doctor conceded the usefulness of properly taken histories, physical examinations, and electrocardiograms, but felt that the x-ray was the most helpful agent at our command. He pointed out that the chief source of error in x-ray interpretations was due to improper position in taking films, and impressed the fact that rotation of the patient to proper angle was absolutely necessary in order to get data that were of use to the clinician. The doctor showed moving pictures of his methods of making orthodiagrams and of measuring the various diameters of the heart and aorta. His paper was discussed by Dr. William Sargent.

The second paper of the evening was by Dr. John Homer Woolsey, who spoke on the subject of "Acute Osteomyelitis of the Lower Jaw." The doctor illustrated his talk with lantern slides showing that the infection traveled along the inferior dental canal and emphasized the importance of conservative treatment consisting of simple incision and drainage in acute osteomyelitis. In chronic osteomyelitis the treatment should consist chiefly of removal of loosened sequestra. The discussion on this paper was opened by Dr. H. H. Hitchcock and continued by Dr. L. I. Oppenheimer and Dr. S. B. Fountaine.

Doctor Naffziger spoke on the subject "Observations on Injuries of Peripheral Nerves," showing lantern slides and moving pictures of cases. The doctor discussed injuries to peripheral nerves demonstrating the type and extent of paralyzes emphasizing particularly changes brought about by injury to the musculo-spiral, the circumflex, and facial nerves. He laid great emphasis on the fact that surgery should be done as soon after injury as possible in order to prevent fibrosis. He advised splinting of paralyzed muscles, removing splints once in twelve hours for passive motion, massage, and electric physiotherapeutic treatment. Doctor Naffziger's paper was discussed by Dr. Warren B. Allen and Dr. F. J. Carlson.

GERTRUDE MOORE, *Secretary*.

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### CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

The regular meeting of the Contra Costa County Medical Society was held in Richmond at the offices of Doctors Abbott, Hedges and Hely, on October 29, 1927, being called to order by President McCullough.

An interesting talk on "Fractures of the Long Bones" was given by Doctor Cleary illustrated by models of various splints devised by himself and

others as a result of World War experience. Doctor Cleary imparted a number of useful tips regarding the handling of these fractures. Many questions were asked and answered, and the talk was greatly enjoyed by all present.

The Constitution and By-Laws were read and adopted, and the secretary was instructed to have them printed for distribution.

The date for the annual banquet was set for November 12.

The question of patients able to pay for medical care being treated free of charge in the large clinics was brought up. The consensus of opinion was that each individual physician should report to the Social Service of such clinic any such cases coming under his notice. It was pointed out that where thousands of patients are being handled it is physically impossible to thoroughly investigate each case.

S. N. WEIL, *Secretary*.



#### KERN COUNTY

The October meeting of the Kern County Medical Society was held at the Kern General Hospital Thursday, October 20. The meeting was called to order by Doctor McClain, president. The minutes were read by Doctor Jones, secretary. As there was no correspondence, Mr. Brown, representative of the Department of Agriculture, was introduced. Mr. Brown explained very thoroughly the system of inspecting and grading milk to be used if accepted by the Board of Supervisors.

A resolution was passed to appoint a committee to draw up an ordinance to be brought before the Supervisors on Monday the 24th relative to inspection and grading of milk. Committee: Doctors Compton, Bell, and Jones, chairman. Thanks were extended to Mr. Brown.

Doctor Reed of the Orthopedic Hospital, Los Angeles, was introduced. He gave a very interesting paper on "Poliomyelitis" and its treatment. Refreshments were then served in the banquet room, and later two reels from the Orthopedic Hospital, Los Angeles, were shown illustrating the treatment given such cases. Doctor McClain thanked Doctor Reed in behalf of the Kern County Medical Society.

The regular meeting of the Kern County Medical Society was held at the Kern General Hospital, November 17. In the absence of Doctor McClain, president, the meeting was called to order by Doctor McKee, past president. The minutes were read and approved as read. The following doctors were elected to office for the coming year: Dr. Robert M. Jones, Bakersfield, president; Dr. P. F. Page, Taft, vice-president; Dr. J. M. Kirby, Bakersfield, secretary-treasurer; Dr. Francis Hamlin, delegate; Dr. Joe Smith, alternate.

The following committees were appointed:

Auditing Committee—Dr. C. A. Morris, Dr. William H. Moore.

Annual Banquet—Dr. L. H. Fox (chairman), Dr. George E. Bahrenburg, Dr. J. M. Kirby.

Dr. Fred R. Fairchild, Woodland Clinic, was introduced. He gave a very interesting talk on "The Most Important Single Factor in Surgery." Dr. John D. Larson, Woodland Clinic, discussed the importance of a definite routine in diagnosis. Dr. Schuyler D. Pulford discussed and illustrated the importance of modern conformation and diagnosis. Thanks were extended to the doctors for their interesting talks. The meeting adjourned to the banquet room, where light refreshments were served.

ROBERT M. JONES, *Secretary*.

#### PLACER COUNTY

The Placer County Medical Society held its annual meeting at the Masonic Hall, Auburn, Saturday evening, November 12, at 8 p. m., the president, Dr. J. A. Russell, presiding.

There were present the following members and visitors: Members—J. A. Russell, C. J. Durand, J. G. Mackay, W. M. Miller, R. F. Rooney, M. E. Thoren, C. C. Briner, M. S. Briner, G. H. Fay, C. E. Lewis, R. A. Peers. Visitors—Doctor Gibbs and Doctor Rasor of Weimar, Dr. H. N. Kanner and Dr. Dudley A. Smith of San Francisco.

The following officers were elected to serve the society for 1928: R. J. Nicholls, president; J. Gordon Mackay, vice-president; R. A. Peers, secretary-treasurer; C. J. Durand, associate secretary; C. E. Lewis, delegate; J. A. Russell, alternate.

Dr. Szabo Kalman of Roseville, who transferred from Siskiyou County, was elected a member of the Placer County Medical Society.

Resolutions on the death of Dr. Orren L. Barton of Loomis were presented, and a committee consisting of Doctors Fay, Mackay, and Durand, were appointed to draft resolutions on the death of the late Dr. S. H. Rantz of Placerville.

Dr. Robert F. Rooney of Auburn, dean of the medical profession of Placer County, gave a very interesting talk on practice in Placer County in pioneer days and displayed and explained the use of various instruments in his surgical case of that period.

Dr. Harry N. Kanner of the University of California Hospital staff then gave an address on "The Demonstration of Forceps with a Mannequin." Doctor Kanner gave a short history of the origin and development of obstetrical forceps and, after showing the various types of forceps now used, gave a demonstration of the application of the forceps in the various presentations. Doctor Kanner's address and demonstration were very complete and of great interest.

Dr. Dudley A. Smith of the University of California Hospital staff then addressed the society on the "Importance of Technique in Rectal Examinations." The doctor stressed the importance of a thorough anal, rectal and sigmoid examination. He gave a brief description of the symptomatology of pathology in the lower bowel followed by an outline of treatment for the more common and some of the rarer disease conditions. Following his address Doctor Smith gave a lantern slide demonstration illustrating the anatomy of the lower bowel and surrounding tissues, followed by other illustrations showing in detail his modification of the Coffey operation for cancer of the rectum. Later Doctor Smith showed the various instruments used by him in the operations described. Doctor Smith's paper was very practical and was the subject of general discussion.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

ROBERT A. PEERS, *Secretary*.



#### SACRAMENTO COUNTY

The October meeting was held in the Empire Room of the Hotel Sacramento on the evening of October 18. There were forty-two in attendance. In addition, we had the pleasure of being host to the president of the California Medical Association, Percy T. Phillips. Doctor Phillips was meeting here with the State Board of Medical Examiners and brought with him two members of the board, Doctors Smith and Morton. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Case Reports—Frank P. Brendel presented two patients. Both had suffered fractures of the os calcis. In both instances Brendel had used tibial bone grafts to hold the fragments.

William A. Beattie reported a case of spina bifida. In this instance the meningocele type has been oozing

spinal fluid since birth. The baby is now 4½ months old and is thriving. The interesting feature here is the fact that the baby has escaped infection during all this time.

Joseph E. Yates reported the removal of a true myoma of the uterus.

For our evening's program we heard from Charles E. Schoff and William A. Beattie. Both doctors had recently returned from Europe and told us of their contacts there.

Schoff stressed the diagnostic acumen of the French physicians and thoroughly explained their system of conducting clinics as exemplified by the Saint Louis Hospital. One of Schoff's main desires during the trip was to study the work of Sabouraud. He found Professor Sabouraud now engaged entirely in the treatment of diseases of the hair and scalp. He has hundreds of patients under treatment for ringworm by means of x-ray. He provokes epilation and, by the way, is still using gas tubes. The reception of an inquiring American by English and Scotch physicians is all that can be asked for. It seems as though they never tire of trying to give you everything they have.

Beattie was particularly interested in hospital organization. He found this phase of medical care in Vienna to surpass, by far, that of Paris. The Viennese are at present stressing, to the extreme, early recognition of incipient tuberculosis. That disease is rampant in Vienna. Beattie came in contact with several outstanding men; Professor Bauer and his work with the endocrines was one of these.

Andrew W. Morton of San Francisco was called upon by Smith McMullin to add a few words on European impressions. Morton spoke briefly and expressed the opinion that the thoroughness of the German surgeon is not surpassed.

Application for Membership—The first reading of the applications of Oliver H. Perry, W. J. Vandenberg, and James Travis Vance were read for the first time. After the second reading of the applications of Louis Gougnet, Raymond Primasing, and Max C. Isoard, a vote was taken. All were elected to membership.

The board of directors reported the transfer of Vernon F. Kennedy to Phoenix, Arizona.

They approved the four new amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws.

The new amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws, which included (1) a method for amending the by-laws; (2) a new ruling on the length of residence of an applicant for membership as well as a check on the constant resubmission on a rejected application; (3) a proviso for the election of a transfer member from the floor rather than through the board of directors; and (4) new regulations as to the dropping of a member for non-payment of dues and assessments were unanimously adopted.

The meeting adjourned to a buffet lunch.

BERT S. THOMAS, *Secretary*.



#### SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY

Minutes of the San Bernardino County Medical Society meeting held at the San Bernardino County Hospital, November 1, 1927.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Communications were read regarding new members, poliomyelitis serum, and the fall meeting of the Southern California Medical Association.

The following three men were admitted into the society: Dr. C. E. Counter of Loma Linda, Dr. Marcus D. White and Dr. Wallace M. Chapman of Ontario.

The election of delegates to the state medical meeting resulted in the appointment of Doctors Moseley

and Richards with alternates, Doctors Eytinge and Walter Pritchard.

There were thirty-four members present.

The program of the evening was then entered upon. It consisted of: "Rectal Constipation." Autochrome lantern slides of anorectal pathology. By A. J. Murieta. Doctor Dole opened the discussion.

Luncheon was served at 10:30.

Meeting adjourned.

E. J. EYTINGE, *Secretary*.



#### SAN DIEGO COUNTY

The monthly dinner of the medical society on October 11 brought a generous attendance at the Golden Lion where, after an excellent repast, the following program by home talent was presented:

"Acrodynia with Report of Case"—Rieta C. Hough.

"Recent Advances in Radiation Therapy"—Lyell C. Kinney.

Doctor Hough's paper on this comparatively rare condition was well presented and gave a comprehensive summary of the present knowledge of the subject as well as the theories as to its causation. Doctor Thornton discussed the paper at some length.

Doctor Kinney's lantern talk on the advances in the treatment of various conditions by radiation was a masterly discussion. Avoiding controversial subjects, the doctor clearly expressed the conditions in which radiation had proven itself of unquestioned value with or without the cooperation of surgery. One must be impressed with the ever broadening field of usefulness developed in this comparatively recent branch of therapy. This paper was discussed by Doctors Churchill, Weiskotten, Clark, Geistweit, Andrews, and Belford. The evening was a distinct scientific treat.

The staff of the Scripps Memorial Hospital met Tuesday evening, November 1, for routine business. Doctors Lazelle and Smith presented an unusual case of ulcer of the stomach which baffled diagnosis for a time.

Dr. Thomas O. Burger, recently returned from the East, discussed informally the surgery of the vascular system, dwelling especially upon the newer technique of embolectomy and the obliteration of varicose veins by injections of irritating substances.

The Scripps Metabolic Clinic has completed plans for the erection of a new building of much greater capacity than the present one. Its phenomenal success in the short time it has been in operation demands this expansion.

The election on November 8 resulted in the following officers of the medical society for 1928: J. M. McColl, president; L. H. Redelings, vice-president; W. H. Geistweit, Jr., secretary; Willard H. Newman, treasurer. Councilors: A. E. Elliott, E. C. Lee, W. W. Belford. Milk Commission: O. B. Cordua. Delegates to State Society: Mott H. Arnold, Thomas O. Burger, Will H. Potter. Alternates: C. E. Howard, F. L. Macpherson, C. E. Rees. Directors of Telephone Exchange: Martha Welpton, one year; J. H. Young, two years; Will H. Potter, three years.

On the evening of election day the society dined at the Golden Lion Tavern, following which an excellent program was provided by home talent:

"Influenza and Its Relation to Tuberculosis"—M. M. Doria.

"The Esophagus and Air Passages"—Charles W. Brown.

Doctor Doria's paper was a strong plea for the consideration of influenza as a serious disease, possible of many complications and sequelae in the course of which consultation should more often be sought than

is customary. The disease is not being taken seriously enough.

Doctor Brown presented a series of case histories well illustrated by radiographs showing the vagaries of foreign substances in the air passages.

Both of these papers were liberally discussed, demonstrating that well-prepared offerings by home doctors are not only appreciated but draw free discussion. Let us have more of them.

ROBERT POLLOCK.

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#### SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY

The stated meeting of the San Joaquin County Medical Society was held at the Medico-Dental Club Hall, corner North Sutter and Miner Avenue, Thursday evening, November 3, 1927, Dr. J. W. Barnes presiding. The meeting was called to order by the president at 8:30 p. m. Thirty-two were in attendance. Those present were: Drs. S. R. Arthur, J. W. Barnes, E. L. Blackmun, J. F. Blinn, H. J. Bolinger, C. A. Broaddus, H. S. Chapman, Fred J. Conzelmann, J. T. Davison, C. F. English, William Friedberger, E. C. Griner, S. Hanson, C. D. Hollinger, J. P. Hull, H. E. Kaplan, S. E. Latta, R. T. McGurk, F. G. Maggs, B. J. Powell, D. R. Powell, S. F. Priestly, G. H. Rohrbacher, George H. Sanderson, J. J. Sippy, Margaret H. Smyth, Hudson Smythe, C. V. Thompson, I. B. Thompson, G. J. Vischi, B. G. Walker, and M. P. Shaughnessy, attorney at law, guest and speaker of the evening.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. A communication from Dr. R. C. Kirkwood, director of Bret Harte Sanatorium at Murphy, the joint San Joaquin and Calaveras counties institution for tuberculosis patients, requesting that the society appoint from its members a committee of three to act as advisory in matters pertaining to the welfare of patients, was read. The secretary moved, seconded by Dr. Dewey R. Powell, that the Chair be authorized to appoint a committee of three as requested in Doctor Kirkwood's letter. The motion carried. The Chair appointed Drs. G. H. Rohrbacher of Stockton, H. J. Bolinger of Lodi, and E. W. Weirich of Angels Camp to serve on this committee.

The Chair declared nomination in order for directors and standing committees for 1928. In accordance with the Constitution, the Chair nominated the following twelve for directors: Drs. H. S. Chapman, Fred J. Conzelmann, J. F. Doughty, Linwood Dozier, F. G. Maggs, R. T. McGurk, Barton J. Powell, Dewey R. Powell, John J. Sippy, Hudson Smythe, Margaret H. Smyth, C. V. Thompson. From the floor were nominated J. W. Barnes, C. F. English, and G. H. Rohrbacher.

The following were nominated for standing committees in 1928:

Committee on Admissions: Drs. J. D. Dameron, J. V. Craviotto, E. F. English, J. P. Hull, and B. F. Walker.

Committee on Ethics: Drs. C. F. English, Margaret H. Smyth, Barton J. Powell, R. T. McGurk, and C. D. Hollinger.

Committee on Finances: Drs. J. V. Craviotto, Dewey R. Powell, and Fred P. Clark.

Committee on Programs: Drs. G. H. Rohrbacher, George H. Sanderson, and S. Hanson.

Delegates and alternates to State Medical Association for 1928:

Delegates: Drs. J. W. Barnes, Barton J. Powell.

Alternates: Fred J. Conzelmann, C. V. Thompson.

R. T. McGurk gave his report as chairman of the legal committee on county hospitals relations. The Chair introduced M. P. Shaughnessy, attorney at law and legal advisor of the society, who spoke on the laws governing county hospital and regulations per-

taining to the admission of patients to these institutions in the state of California. He stated that county hospitals were established for the care, medical and surgical treatment of the poor and indigent sick and for no other purpose, and that the practice of admitting pay patients to county hospitals was contrary to law; and inasmuch as every county in the state is confronted with problems of a like nature as this society, it was his opinion that it was a problem for the California Medical Association rather than the concern of one county as the expense of having this evil corrected, would be too much for one county society to bear. The speaker suggested that there should be no cessation of efforts until the problem is definitely solved by the courts. He made the gesture that the society procure Dr. O. D. Hamlin, councilor for this district, and Hartley F. Peart, attorney at law and general counsel for the California Medical Association, as speakers to explain the various problems and difficulties of many of the County Medical Societies and their relations to county hospitals with reference to the care and treatment of the indigent sick. He felt it was a matter of educating the taxpayers to a realization of the situation and that it is to their interest to stop the admission of pay patients to county hospitals, for, as it now stands, the many are paying the hospital and medical service for a few who are perfectly able to pay for this service themselves, and these few are often depriving the poor and indigent sick of efficient hospital care to which they are lawfully entitled.

Dr. Barton J. Powell moved, seconded by Dr. S. Hanson, that the society avail itself of the service of Doctor Hamlin and Attorney Peart at a regular meeting of the society in the near future. The motion carried.

The Chair extended the thanks and appreciation in behalf of the society to the speaker of the evening.

Moved by Dr. Dewey R. Powell, seconded by Dr. J. P. Hull, and carried, that the meeting adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p. m.

FRED J. CONZELMANN, *Secretary*.

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#### SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

The regular meeting of the Santa Barbara County Medical Society was held in the staff room of the St. Francis Hospital on Monday evening, November 14, with President H. E. Henderson in the chair.

There were present at the meeting twenty-six members of the society and a number of guests.

Dr. A. S. Schwartz of Los Angeles gave a very interesting paper on "Punch Operations of the Prostate." This paper was discussed by Doctors Pierce, Thorner, and Spaulding.

Dr. R. R. Newell of San Francisco showed moving pictures of a beating heart. Diagrammatic comparisons were made of normal and abnormal heart beats.

It was moved, seconded and carried that this society invite the Southern California Medical Society to meet in Santa Barbara at its next meeting in April, 1928.

Expressions of thanks from Dr. Edward L. Markthaler and Mrs. Bagby and son for flowers sent during recent bereavements were read by the secretary.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

WILLIAM H. EATON, *Secretary*.

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#### SISKIYOU COUNTY

The Siskiyou County Medical Society met for its regular meeting at Etna, October 30, and enjoyed the happy privilege of honoring Dr. E. W. Bathurst of Etna, who this month celebrates his fiftieth year of

continuous and active practice in Siskiyou County.

After the usual business had been transacted we were delightfully addressed by Doctor Bathurst, who related some of the incidents in his life's work as follows:

Dr. E. W. Bathurst, after receiving some training in Liverpool, England, and the French Colony of New Caledonia in the South Seas, graduated from the Medical College of the Pacific in 1877, and immediately thereafter came to Siskiyou County.

At that time the railroad out of San Francisco terminated at Redding, and the remainder of the journey had to be done by stage.

His destination was Sawyers Bar, where there were employed some three hundred miners. Here he located and remained until 1882 when he moved to Etna, and so for the past fifty years has been carrying on the practice of medicine in this county faithfully and well.

Among his coworkers in Siskiyou County at that time were Drs. D. Ream, H. Robertson, A. M. C. Smith, Newton, and Hill.

Roads throughout the county were in a decidedly embryonic stage, mere pathways, and therefore travel was mostly by horseback.

Doctor Bathurst told us that his equipment at that time consisted of a stethoscope (probably the only one in the county), a thermometer, a hypodermic outfit, an obstetrical kit, and an amputation set.

This was during the pre-Listerian period, and as most of the larger instruments were mounted with hard rubber handles, this of itself precluded boiling.

Asepsis and antisepsis were not known; a simple wiping of the instruments was sufficient to prepare them for the next case.

He stated that the medical fees were approximately what they are today, *i. e.*, \$2 for an office visit, \$2.50 town visit, \$1 mileage, and obstetrical cases \$25.

There were then practically no trained nurses in the county, the doctors doing or supervising the nursing of their patients.

Diagnosis had of necessity to be gleaned by careful and accurate bedside observation, palpation and auscultation, which was usually done by direct ear-to-chest method.

Laboratory aids consisted only of the heat and nitric acid test for albumin and the Fehlings test for sugar.

Novocain and cocain were just beginning to be used, and vaccines and antitoxins, except for variola, were unknown.

Among the various diseases which were quite prevalent in these early days, but which are becoming more and more infrequent, are variola, scarlet fever, summer diarrhea, and diphtheria.

Diphtheria epidemics were frequent and at times the odor from certain infested mountain towns could be detected a quarter of a mile away.

The treatment consisted of the infusion of golden seal and sage, together with honey and borax; massive doses of iron and calomel and local application of Loeffler's soln.

The mortality was surprisingly low and compared favorably with that of today, in spite of our obvious advantages.

The mortality in these epidemics was about 5 to 10 per cent.

The incidence of obstruction to the air passages was small.

The physicians were called upon to labor all day and on into the night, seeking shelter and rest wherever the opportunity afforded. They would ask to be called at a certain hour and would untiringly arise and continue on their "rounds."

Doctor Bathurst told interestingly of long, hard rides over mountains, through storms and snows, for

the purpose of setting fractures, delivering offspring, or attending the sick.

He told of quaint Indian customs or habits as, for example, that of tying the cord to the thigh by means of a leather leash during the interval between the second and third stages of labor to prevent them from going back in for "the liver to eat up."

Doctor Bathurst is energetically carrying on an extensive active practice. He is hale and hearty and is beloved alike by countrymen and colleagues.

He is excellently well read on present-day medical or general topics alike, and furnishes a worthy inspiration to all his associates old and young.

At this meeting the following officers were elected for the coming year: Harold A. Morse, Hilt, president; W. H. Haines, Etna, vice-president; C. G. Reynolds, Yreka, secretary-treasurer.

Two new members were elected to the society as follows: Clyde G. Reynolds, Yreka; Dave F. Dozier, Weed.

The meeting, which was opened in honor of Doctor Bathurst, was closed by a standing vote of reverence and remembrance for Dr. C. W. Nutting, Sr.

HAROLD A. MORSE, *Secretary*.

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#### TULARE COUNTY

The regular monthly meeting of the Tulare County Medical Society was held at Motley's Café in Visalia, following dinner at 6:30 p. m.

In the absence of President Zumwalt and Vice-President Paine the meeting was called to order by Secretary Campbell.

Members present were: Doctors Groesbeck, Bond, Preston, Betts, Brigham, Kahn, Campbell, Lipson, Ginsburg, Seligman, Furness, Rivin, and Weiss.

It was voted to renew our group subscriptions for two years to *Hygeia* magazine, which we placed in most of the libraries of Tulare County two years ago.

Dr. Frederick G. Linde, orthopedic surgeon of San Francisco, was present and spoke on Infantile Paralysis, with especial attention to its convalescent and late treatment. His talk was greatly enjoyed by all, and a vote of appreciation was given by the society for his address. Discussion followed.

Meeting adjourned at 10 o'clock.

H. G. CAMPBELL, *Secretary*.

#### CHANGES IN MEMBERSHIP

**New Members**—Alameda County—James Frug, Oakland; James R. Scott, J. Dwight Wilson, Berkeley.

Los Angeles County—Philip S. Burnham, E. M. Claiborne, Shuler Fagan, Harley F. Gunderson, H. H. Hattery, O. O. Hendrixson, Louis E. Martin, Wallace J. Miller, Robert E. O'Connor, Joseph C. Savage, Los Angeles; Robert M. Dodsworth, Azusa; Carl Gilbert Johnson, John F. Snedaker, Long Beach; Frank R. Morgan, Santa Monica; H. B. Rickabaugh, Alhambra; M. J. Rowe, Norwalk.

Orange County—Edward H. Brunemeier, Placentia; Kenneth H. Sutherland, Santa Ana.

Sacramento County—Louis Gougnet, Sacramento.

San Francisco County—George L. Baker, Cabot Brown, Frank M. Close, Thomas G. Dabney, Lawler A. Drees, Marion O. Grinstead, Fred D. Heegler, John H. Mansfeldt, George A. Wood, San Francisco.

**Transferred Members**—Harry M. Kanner, from Placer County to San Francisco County.

John W. Bardill, from Imperial County to Ventura County.

Vernon F. Kennedy, from Sacramento County, California, to Phoenix, Arizona.

Dave F. Dozier, from Sacramento County to Siskiyou County.

Clyde G. Reynolds, from Sacramento County to Siskiyou County.

### DEATHS

**Brooks, Clifford H.** Died at Santa Ana, October, 18, 1927, age 42 years. Graduate Medical Department Iowa State University, 1910. Licensed in California, 1911. Doctor Brooks was a member of the Orange County Medical Society, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

**Bucher, William H.** Died at Los Angeles, September 13, 1927, age 69 years. Graduate of the Medico-Chirurgical College of Pennsylvania, 1896. Licensed in California, 1912. Doctor Bucher was a member of the Los Angeles County Medical Association, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

**Crum, Robert L.** Died at Los Angeles, October 26, 1927, age 47 years. Graduate of the Medical Department St. Louis University, Missouri, 1911. Licensed in California, 1911. Doctor Crum was a member of the Los Angeles County Medical Association, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

**Kistler, Samuel L.** Died at Los Angeles, October 23, 1927, age 68 years. Graduate of the Starling Medical College, Ohio, 1882. Licensed in California, 1886. Doctor Kistler was a member of the Los Angeles County Medical Association, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

**Mansfeldt, Oscar.** Died at San Francisco, October 30, 1927, age 61 years. Graduate of the Cooper Medical College, San Francisco, California, 1897. Licensed in California in 1898. Doctor Mansfeldt was a member of the San Francisco County Medical Society, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

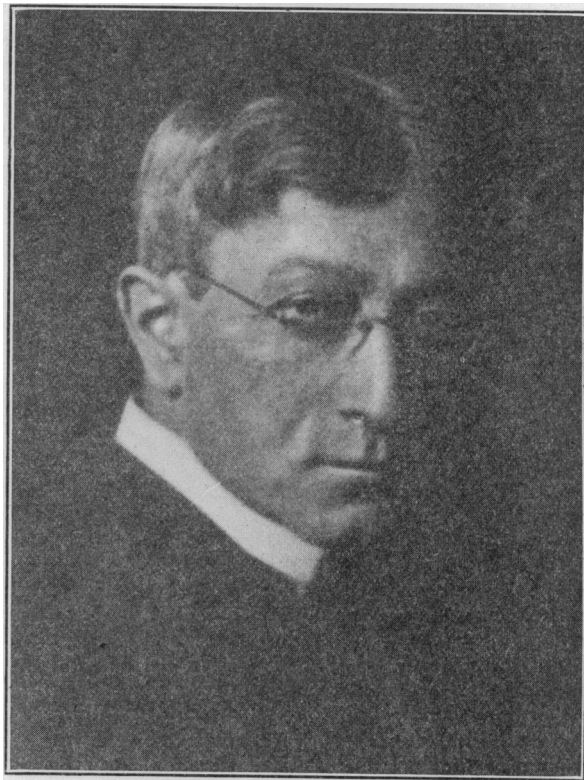
**McGinnis, George H.** Died at San Diego, November 12, 1927, age 54 years. Graduate of the National Medical College, Illinois, 1898. Licensed in California, 1915. Doctor McGinnis was a member of the San Diego County Medical Society, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

**Ray, Daniel F.** Died at Stockton, October 20, 1927, age 70 years. Graduate of the Medical Department, Vanderbilt University, Tennessee, 1888. Licensed in California in 1898. Doctor Ray was a member of the San Joaquin County Medical Society, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

**Watanabe, Junsai.** Died at Los Angeles, September 9, 1927, age 66 years. Graduate of the Tokyo Medical College, Japan, 1897. Licensed in California, 1901. Doctor Watanabe was a member of the Imperial County Medical Society, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

**Winnard, Wellington Leroy.** Died at Los Angeles, October 26, 1928, age 59 years. Graduate of Chicago Homeopathic Medical College, Illinois, 1890. Licensed in California, 1901. Doctor Winnard was a member of the Los Angeles County Medical Association, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

### OBITUARY



DR. MORRIS HEKZSTEIN

Recently by death there was removed from the roster of California physicians a name that will endure.

Dr. Morris Herzstein was born in Cologne, Germany, August 20, 1854. He died in San Francisco October 25, 1927, in his seventy-fourth year. Concerning his boyhood he was peculiarly reticent, and of his early activities and experiences we have little interest further than that he was without material resources and dependent upon his own efforts to make his way.

He was graduated in medicine from an obscure school in 1881. He completed his education and received a degree from a German university a decade later. This was supplemented from time to time by travel and protracted residence in the medical centers of England and continental Europe. During these journeys he made many contacts, winning the respect and friendship of teachers and masters. With pleasure I quote a sentence from a letter by Professor Max Michaelis of Berlin of recent date which is clearly in evidence: "I often think of you, my dear friend, whose tenacity in search of knowledge was remarkable though at times you, the student, became the teacher."

Doctor Herzstein's advent in San Francisco forty-five years ago marked an epoch in the life of a character at once conspicuous, distinguished, eminently useful and unique. From the very outset he refused consistently to subscribe to the time-worn doctrine that progress is along the line of least resistance. His philosophy inspired him to face discouragement with patience, to overcome obstacles by courageous effort, and to lend a deaf ear to idle gossip. The currents and countercurrents that beset one's pathway in medical life he met with the deftness of a skilled mariner; purposeful, and with clear vision he set his course and reached his goal. Withal, in the language of one of his intimates, he was modest, kindly, generous, and tolerant above all things of everyone and everything.

Upon his return from Germany in 1891 he organized one of the first well-equipped clinical laboratories in San Francisco and installed therein a competent technician. This interest, generously provided for, be-



came his most valued helpmeet and was shared by many of his colleagues.

Doctor Herzstein's status in life was determined largely by unremitting toil and by the lasting friendships which were its fruitage: two factors inseparably interwoven. In his daily routine personal comfort, recreation, rest, were of small moment. Service, willing service, was his fetish. Friendships that were handed down through three generations were among his most cherished memories. It can be truly said that he was a humanitarian and philanthropist of high order. Throughout his career he sought opportunity to relieve want. His benefactions were manifold and without publicity. At the close of his life he disposed of a large estate with rare wisdom. A recent editorial commenting upon his will is in evidence: "Doctor Herzstein's will is a monument to his American patriotism as well as to his humanitarian instincts and educational enthusiasm. Everything that was his will remain in California. His art treasures go to a San Francisco museum and his money to a wide variety of charitable organizations. Stanford gets \$100,000 for a chair of biology—a chair of the science that he wished to have taught scientifically and not with the Tennessee and Mississippi limitations. The University of California will receive approximately \$500,000 for scholarships for students in medical research work and other purposes. Yes, the will proclaims the man."

## UTAH STATE MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

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### COMPONENT COUNTY SOCIETIES SALT LAKE COUNTY

The regular meeting of the Salt Lake County Medical Society was held in the Assembly Room, Medical Arts Building, Salt Lake City, Monday, October 24, 1927.

Meeting called to order at 8:08 p. m. by President W. G. Schulte. Eighty-four members and seven visitors were present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted without correction.

There were no clinical cases.

First paper on the scientific program was entitled "Lung Surgery," by A. C. Callister, who limited his paper to chronic multiple suppurative bronchiectasis. He discussed the etiology, differential diagnosis, and stressed the importance of lipiodol injections. He described the various methods of surgical treatment and exhibited a patient on whom he had done a thoracoplasty for this condition with excellent results. His paper was illustrated by lantern slides.

This very interesting paper was discussed by F. F. Hatch, G. A. Cochran, and W. G. Schulte.

The second paper was entitled "Hysteria," by Foster J. Curtis. He gave his conception of the disorder and cited typical examples stressing the type of patient in which this disease occurs. He emphasized the necessity of a thorough physical examination to eliminate any organic lesion and also warned against malingering. He exhibited moving pictures of a patient in a hysterical seizure.

This very interesting paper was discussed by H. S. Scott and Garland H. Pace.

Through the courtesy of Mr. George Waters of the Salt Lake Photo Supply Company some official moving pictures of the World War were shown which were extremely interesting.

The secretary read a letter from F. H. Raley, chairman of the Board of Censors, relative to the application of Orin A. Ogilvie, who was ineligible to membership because he has not been licensed by the state of Utah. The secretary moved that he be made an honorary member. This was discussed by T. C. Gibson

and W. H. Beer, who moved a committee be appointed to investigate and report. Seconded and carried. The Chair appointed Sol G. Kahn, chairman, and F. B. Steele and T. C. Gibson as the members of the committee.

T. C. Gibson reported progress for his committee to investigate liability insurance.

Adjournment at 10:10 p. m.

The regular meeting of the Salt Lake County Medical Society was held in the Assembly Room of the Medical Arts Building, Salt Lake City, Monday, November 14, 1927.

Meeting called to order at 8:10 p. m. by President W. G. Schulte. Sixty-three members and eight visitors were present.

An acephalic six months' fetus was presented by G. N. Curtis, who discussed the condition.

J. W. Aird of Provo gave a short talk on an original new method of effectively closing tense upper abdominal wounds. He also gave a talk on Lane's kink, stressing the importance of looking for it in all cases of chronic appendicitis. He estimated that the condition was present in 25 per cent of his cases with that disease.

These interesting talks were discussed by L. J. Paul, Clark Young, and E. F. Root.

"Compression Fractures of the Tibia" was the title of the paper read by C. E. McDermid of Castle Gate. He reviewed the literature on this relatively rare condition, described the method of production, symptoms, diagnosis, prognosis, emergency and subsequent treatment, and reported five cases. His subject was covered very thoroughly and was presented in a masterly manner.

This excellent paper was discussed by S. C. Baldwin, F. S. Bascom, J. W. Aird, E. F. Root, L. N. Ossman, A. L. Huether, H. C. Holbrook, and M. C. Lindem.

T. C. Gibson reported for his Committee to Investigate Liability and Insurance. He explained the difference in the insurance clause between the policies issued by the Aetna and U. S. F. and G. companies and recommended that a legal opinion be obtained interpreting the clause in the latter policy. This was discussed by W. F. Beer, John Z. Brown, A. C. Callister, T. F. H. Morton, T. C. Gibson, E. F. Root, and L. J. Paul, who moved that the report be accepted except that part requesting legal opinion. Seconded. Discussed by E. F. Root, M. C. Lindem, M. M. Nielson, and C. J. Albaugh. Motion carried.

John Z. Brown moved that the society request that the Medical Arts Building furnish a blackboard. Seconded and carried.

The report of the committee appointed to determine whether or not Dr. O. A. Ogilvie could become an honorary member was read by the secretary. John Z. Brown moved adoption of the report. Seconded and carried.

The secretary read a communication from Judge Harold M. Stephens requesting the appointment of a committee to confer with a committee of dentists and the executive committee of the Community Clinic relative to clinic affairs. Sol G. Kahn moved that this committee be the one recently appointed to investigate charitable institutions of which William T. Ward is chairman. Discussed by F. B. Steele. Seconded and carried.

William F. Beer announced that the banquet in honor of the dentists would be held November 15, 1927. He then moved that the by-laws of the society be changed in order to raise the dues from \$10 to \$15. Seconded. J. P. Kerby moved that the society pay any deficit that may be incurred in giving the dental banquet. Seconded. Discussed by M. C. Lindem. F. B. Steele moved to amend the motion so that the society would pay any deficit incurred binding the library magazines. This amendment was ruled out of order by the Chair. Further discussion by T. C. Gibson and H. C. Holbrook. Motion was carried.

Adjournment at 10:10 p. m.

M. M. CRITCHLOW, Secretary.